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Inventor:	John McKenzie
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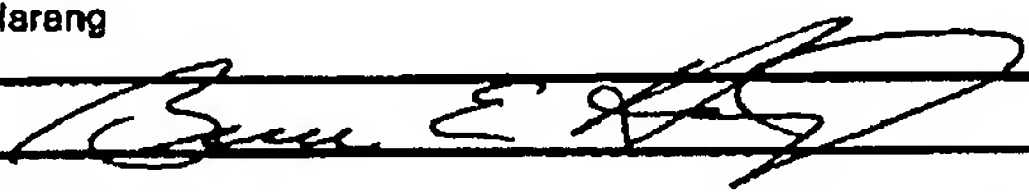
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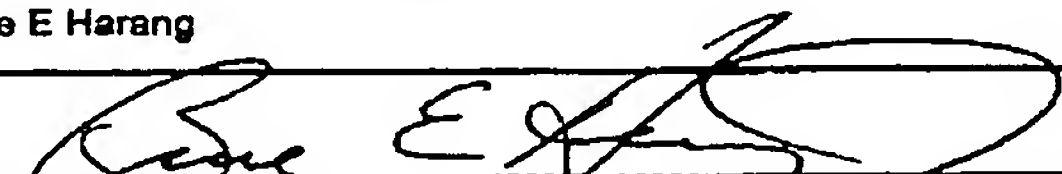
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**SUPPLEMENT TO PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.48(a)**

Sir:

This is in response to the Communication of Deficient Petition dated 02/11/2005.

No additional fee is required.

Kindly consider this petition and the supporting documents submitted herewith as sufficient and in full compliance with the requirements 37 CFR 1.48(a).

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including is attached following page 3 of this paper.

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Reply to Office action of: 02/11/2005

### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner in a communication dated 02/11/2005 noted that Applicants Petition to Correct Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a) was deficient because: "An oath or declaration by each actual inventor or inventors listing the entire inventive entity has not been submitted." (a copy of the communication attached hereto for the Examiner's convenience).

Applicants submit herewith a new declaration which lists the complete inventive entity and signed by all but one of the inventors. The non-signing inventor Mr. John McKenzie signed the original declaration filed with the original case filing. In the interim Mr. John McKenzie has left the Assignee Company and refuses to communicate with this Assignee's attorney. However, in light of Mr. John McKenzie having signed the original declaration initially filed with this case Applicants believe that their Petition to Correct Inventorship is now in condition for allowance.

In addition, this attorney states that he called Mr. John McKenzie at the phone number provided by the Assignee on March 9, 2005 and on March 10, 2005. In both cases this attorney got an answering machine stating that the number was that of Mr. John McKenzie. This attorney left a message to return the phone call in both cases. Mr. John McKenzie did not respond to either phone call. On March 11, 2005 this attorney mailed, by certified mail return receipt requested (see exhibit A), a cover letter asking Mr. John McKenzie to execute the new declaration also enclosed and return same to this attorney (see exhibits B & C). Mr. John McKenzie did not respond. The return receipt has not been received as of this date, nor has the delivery been returned to this attorney by the Postal Service. This attorney called Mr. John McKenzie for a third time on March 29, 2005 and again was connected to an answering machine. Again a message to return the call was left and no response has been forthcoming to date.

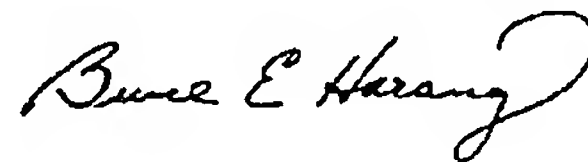
The last known address of Mr. John McKenzie is 4420 Buckingham, Royal Oak, MI 48073; phone number 248-514-1123

In light of the attached new declaration naming the complete inventive entity signed by all but one of the original inventive signatories, the original declaration being signed by the now non-signing inventor Mr. John McKenzie, and this attorney's diligent

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efforts to contact the non-signing inventor Mr. John McKenzie to procure his signature on the new declaration Applicants believe their Petition under 37 CFR 1.48(a) is in condition for grant and such action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



Bruce E. Harang  
Registration No. 29,720  
Tel.: (360) 903-4693

Attachments: new declaration naming the complete inventive entity signed by all but one inventor, copy of the certified mail receipt, copy of the cover letter to the non-signing inventor, copy of the declaration sent to the non-signing inventor, copy of the Examiner's Communication dated 02/11/2005

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**DECLARATION & POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I/we hereby declare that:

My/Our residences and citizenships are as listed below.

We believe that we John McKenzie, Alan Sturt, Thomas S. Hicks, Jeff A. Kempf, and James Andrew Mulvihill are the original, first and joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought in the invention entitled **Universal Feature Attachment System**, identified as Lear attorney docket number **04445**, the specification of which is filed concurrently herewith.

I/We hereby state that I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in this Declaration.

I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I/We hereby appoint Bruce E. Harang, Registration No. 29,720; Bill C. Panagos, Registration No. 31,050; and Larry Shelton, Registration No. 45,100 to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Please send all correspondence to:

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Vancouver, WA 98687-2735  
Telephone: 828-230-0450  
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I/We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my/our own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements and the like so made jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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**Decision on Petition to Correct Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(a)**


The request to correct the inventorship of this nonprovisional application under 37 CFR 1.48(a) is deficient because:

An oath or declaration by each actual inventor or inventors listing the entire inventive entity has not been submitted.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stephen K. Cronin whose telephone number is 571-272-4536. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:00am-5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lee W. Young can be reached on 571-272-4549. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. John McKenzie  
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Dear John:

Enclosed is a supplemental declaration upon which your signature is required. I would appreciate it if you would sign, date, and return this declaration to me as soon as possible.

This supplemental declaration is to allow for the addition of the inadvertently omitted inventors to get proper recognition along with you.

Thank you for your speedy assistance in this matter.

Best Regards,

Bruce E. Harang

Encl: 2 page Declaration & Power of Attorney for Docket No. Lear 04445

e-mail: bhpatent@comcast.net

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